



**MARKET CONSTRUCTION STARTS**... Construction of a new Jim Dandy Market is now underway at the corner of Sepulveda Blvd. and Hawthorne Ave. in Torrance. Architect for the 27,000 sq. ft. store is Miller and Kite of Beverly Hills. Ernest W. Hahn, Inc. of Hawthorne is the builder. Other businesses later will be located on the eight-acre site across from the new 571130 major 85-acre shopping center.

## Real Tax Villains Not Assessor, Collector, but Elected Officials

By CHARLES E. CHAPPEL  
Member of the Assembly  
Tax bills are now being received by people all over Los Angeles County.

The first impulse is to blame the tax collector of Los Angeles County because he sends out the bills, but he is as innocent as Mary's little lamb. The second impulse is to blame the tax assessor of Los Angeles County, but he only assesses property according to what his experts believe it is worth, and even then he assesses it at only a fraction of its market value, not the full value.

**Breakdown Given**  
Regardless of the assessment of your property, if you will look on the back of the bill you will see the breakdown of where the tax money goes. All of those items got there because of the action of you and me.

When we vote for water improvements, schools, or other projects—costing money, it comes out of our pocketbooks. In addition to taxes on which we voted directly, there are levies imposed by the action of city councils and the Los Angeles County board of supervisors.

When I ran for election in 1950 I said that I did not intend to ever vote for a new tax or an increase of an existing tax. To the best of my belief, the only time I deviated from this campaign statement was when I voted accidentally to increase the tax on whiskey 12 or 15 cents per "fifth" (fifth of a gallon).

**Tax Is Tax**  
Regardless of whether you like whiskey or not, a tax is a tax. A tax increase on one item leads to tax increases on all other items, whether they are necessities or luxuries.

Therefore, I suggest that you write to your own city councilman, and to your own Los Angeles County supervisor, asking him what new taxes he voted to levy, and what existing taxes he voted to increase. Do not mention my name, because he will not love me for suggesting this action, but it is one way for you to discover for yourself that the county tax collector and the county tax assessor are not the real villains behind your extremely high new tax bill.

**Division Created**  
One of the principal bills which I carried during the last

regular session of the California State Legislature was one providing for a new division of small craft harbors as part of the Department of Natural Resources and a commission.

The newly appointed chief of the division of small craft harbors is H. G. Stevens. The members of the small craft harbors commission are Joseph A. Beek, 410 S. Bay Front, Balboa Island, who is chairman of the commission; Nathan L. Fairbairn, 28 Geary St., San Francisco 3, who is vice chairman; John P. Scripps, 306 Scripps building, San Diego 1; Malio J. Stagnaro, Center Municipal Wharf, Santa Cruz, and C. P. Von Herzen, Von Herzen & Laidig, 725 Citizens National Bank building, Los Angeles.

The division of small craft harbors is now in a position to accept inquiries on boating and waterway development in the state of California and to invite application for financial assistance in the planning stages of waterway or harbor development.

**Historical First**  
This is the first time in the history of the state that there has been an agency designated to assist the cities, counties and harbor districts in their boating and waterway development projects. The new division invites people to send any information that they have regarding plans, problems or desires in the development of harbors and other boating projects. The division in turn can assist in technical guidance, procedural advice and preliminary planning.

All mail should be addressed to: H. G. Stevens, Chief, Division of Small Craft Harbors, Department of Natural Resources, Sacramento 14, Calif.

The new division is directly under Dewitt Nelson, director of natural resources, and not an independent body like the so-called division of beaches and parks which is theoretically only a division of the Department of Natural Resources but actually operates on its own.

**Little "Kingdom"**  
The legislative designation of the division of small craft harbors as an integral part of the Department of Natural Resources is in accord with the current policy of the California State Legislature to avoid establishing additional independent agencies that act like

## WAR VETS PLANDANCE

The Jewish War Veterans, Post 499, will hold its annual "Gift for a Yank" dance at the Higgins Brick and Tile Co. hall, 2217 W. 174th St., this Sunday at 8 p.m.

Admission is free with donation of a suitable gift for hospitalized veterans. Toilet articles, playing cards, books, magazines, adult games, slippers, socks, tobacco, or other similar goods are suitable, gift wrapped and labeled.

Adjutant for the post is Irv Stron, 3225 W. 180th St.

### WATER QUALITIES

Water requires more heat to warm it and more cold to cool it than any other common substance known, according to scientific measurements.

little kingdoms of their own. It is perfectly proper to write to the various commissioners but they immediately refer correspondence to H. G. Stevens, because he is paid to be the full time executive. However, after you write to Stevens, if you are not satisfied with his action, write to any of the commissioners and to your own state senator or your own member of the Assembly.

As I have said many times, you can always write to me on boat harbors, or other problems, at Post Office Box 777, Inglewood 5.

## Work Begins on Jim Dandy Market

Ground has been broken properly. It is directly across the street from the 85-acre Del Amo Shopping Center which will include such retail stores as The Broadway and Sears Roebuck and Co.

Eventually 100,000 sq. ft. of buildings and parking for 400 automobiles will occupy the eight-acre plot.

Property for the development was purchased by Jim Dandy Division from Kelly-Mullin for an undisclosed sum.

Jim Dandy presently operates 10 supermarkets in Los Angeles County, and Lucky Stores, Inc. has 93 stores stretching from San Diego to Marysville.

**PLASTICS USED**  
More than 25 million pounds of plastics are used annually in the manufacture of electric refrigerators.

**CORRY COUNT**  
There are about 137,000 clergymen in the U.S.

Reinforced concrete, tilt-up, slab wall construction is being used in the structure which is scheduled for completion in early Spring, 1958. Tapered steel girders will be utilized to support its built-up asphalt roof.

On the interior, the market will have acoustical tile ceilings to cut down noise, and vinyl tile floors.

**Stone Veneer**  
To blend with the architecture of the community and other planned projects, the architects have ordered a stone veneer facing for the structure.

Other refinements include ample employee locker rooms and toilet facilities with ceramic tile floors, and recessed unit heaters with complete exhaust systems.

The market, which is a division of Lucky Stores, Inc., will have a complete floor center with latest equipment and features provided for all departments.

**More Projects Set**  
Construction of the market section of the project is but a part of an extensive eight-acre project planned for the

## Sponsor Science Day on April 14

Big plans are being made for the second annual North High School Science Day next April 14, according to Principal Dale M. Harter.

Some 200 industries and scientific agencies have been invited to contribute displays and features for the day, Harter said. Plans include numerous displays, lectures, and demonstrations sponsored by industry. It is hoped, he said, to encourage students to pursue scientific careers.

The program last year—which he termed "a tremendous success"—has resulted in an increased enrollment in scientific courses at the school. A new science wing currently is under construction at the school.

It will, he predicted, be the biggest undertaking of this type offered in the public schools.

One of the features already booked for display is a film, "Red River of Life," which will offer a look at the inside of a beating heart and the 11,000-mile network of vessels in the human body. It was filmed at the Moody Institute of Science.

**Teen Dance Scheduled Saturday at School**

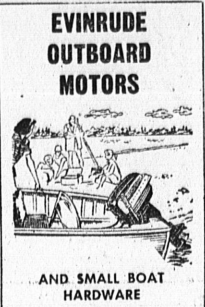
A Teen-Age Hi-Jinx will be held this Friday night from 7:30 to 10 p.m. at Flavian School, sponsored by the Southwest Park Civic Assn.

The dance will be for students in grades seven through 12, with Mrs. Eva Bisou acting as chairman.

## Gifts For All

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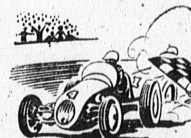
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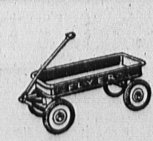
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